

HOUSE RESOLUTION 327

By Haston

A RESOLUTION to recognize Sharon Walden on the occasion of her retirement from the General Assembly.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this body should honor those valuable legislative employees who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of meritorious service to the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Walden is one such estimable person who has served with distinction as an exemplary employee of the General Assembly and will soon be taking her much-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Walden began her illustrious career as an employee of the Tennessee House of Representatives on August 1, 1985, and during her tenure has worked in the office of the House Republican Caucus Chairman, the House Republican Leader, and the House Deputy Speaker; and

WHEREAS, the roll of members she has worked for includes Representative Fred Hobbs, Representative Lane Curley, Representative Tim Garrett, Representative Ray Davis, Representative Tommy Haun, Representative Ralph Cole, Representative Kirk Haston, and Deputy Speaker Steve McDaniel; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her exemplary work effort and service to the General Assembly, Sharon Walden was honored and recognized as the House Employee of the Year in 2005; and

WHEREAS, she is grateful for the love and support she shares with her husband of fifty years, Steve Walden; her son, Brent Walden; her daughter, Stephanie Walden Conner and husband Jason Conner; and her granddaughter, Jolie; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Walden exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Sharon Walden has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and the leadership and members of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Sharon Walden our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors, and we thank her for her dedicated and efficient service to the General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.